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Aden.—During the period from February 19 to March 3 there were registered 443 cases of plague and 402 deaths. During the week ended February 18, according to a supplementary report, there occurred in Aden 371 plague cases, with 339 deaths.

British South Africa.—In Durban, during the period from January 29 to February 11, there were registered 4 fresh cases of plague and 4 deaths.

Death rate of Berlin and other cities.

The death rate of Berlin for the week ended March 4 was lower than that of the preceding week, amounting, calculated on the year, to 15.8 per thousand of the population, this figure being the lowest recorded at any time during the present year, although higher than the rate for the same week of last year, in which it amounted to only 14.7 per thousand. Of the large German towns and cities almost two-thirds showed less favorable health conditions than Berlin. The following cities had a considerably higher death rate than Berlin, viz: Hamburg, Munich, Nuremberg, Karlsruhe, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Brunswick, Breslau, Halle, Dresden, Cologne, Stuttgart, Königsberg, as well as London, Paris, and Vienna. On the other hand, the following places showed more favorable figures than this city, namely: Leipzig, Hanover, Düsseldorf, Cassel, Kiel, Rixdorf (with 15.1), Charlottenburg (with 13.7), and Schöneberg, with the minimum, viz, 8.6. The infant mortality rate, amounting to 3.6 per year and thousand, was lower than the Munich, Hamburg, and Leipzig figures. Among the causes of death acute diseases of the respiratory organs showed a decrease, but influenza showed no variation. There were registered 109 deaths from phthisis pulmonalis, 89 deaths from acute diseases of the respiratory organs (including 12 from influenza), 35 deaths from cancer, 15 deaths from diphtheria, 14 deaths from scarlet fever, 8 deaths from measles. Finally, 3 persons died by violence.

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Report from Bombay—Transactions of service—Mortality in Bombay—Plague and smallpox—Improvement in plague situation—Relation between temperature and epidemic plague.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports, March 18, as follows:

Transactions for the week ended March 18, 1905:

Sanitary certificate No. 81 (to accompany consular invoice No. 55 of 1905), issued on March 13 for 72 casks of goatskins, shipped to New York. The skins were soaked in brine and packed in water-tight casks.

Sanitary certificate No. 82 (to accompany consular invoice No. 56 of 1905), issued on March 16 for 2,000 baskets of onions, shipped to Manila, P. I.

Sanitary certificate No. 83 (to accompany consular invoice No. 57 of 1905), issued on March 16 for 5,000 baskets of onions, similarly consigned. All grown in cholera-free districts.